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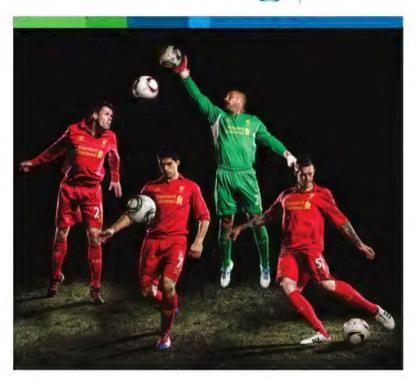
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Aspas, Alberto, Toure & Mignolet all interviewed







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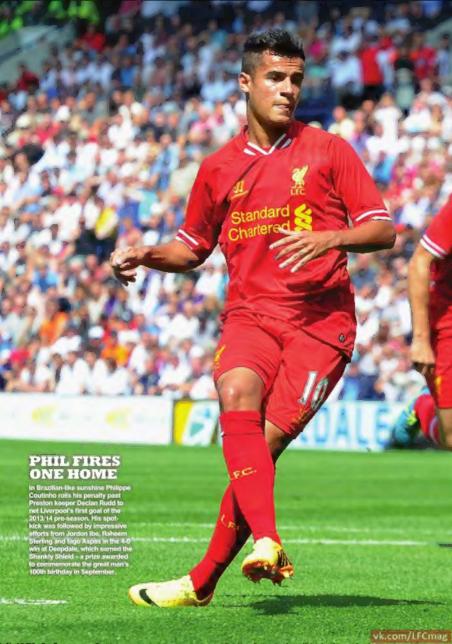
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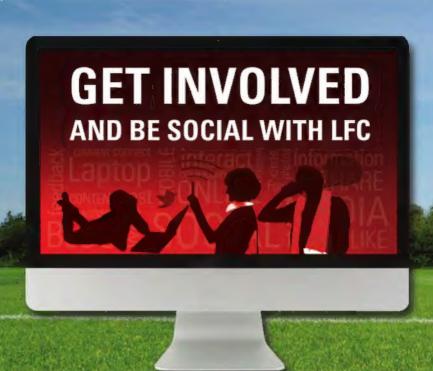


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### Tell us about your respective footballing backgrounds?

LURS: started playing indoor football and five-a-sade in Cacht. What we call futbor sellor instarted playing at Xerez where sport thruc seasons buffor having sight years in Seville and their as you know one year at Barbelona B JAGOs From the age of eight five.

worked my way through the ranks from worked my way through the ranks from other reserves. Then for the last five years the been in the first-team squad there

### is football important in your families?

LAS: his are from a ung family there are nine of us shogether so assessmentationed account and of my brothers were good at football and one got as far as playing in the Second Division in Span.

IAGO: Lam cane of four brothers. The aideat played in the Spanish League Three. The second eldest has played in Cyprus. Raly Belgium and Spain rick was alto all Cellar Vigo and played in the UEFA Cup at Newcestle United in 2006. Their cerne along but my younged brother doesn't play younged brother doesn't play.

### Who have been the biggest influences on your career?

LLMS: From the youth seem through to the reservee at Seville of any (the coact) Parmon Tejada Camegalo - a big eribuence all through my formative years. Thora it Barras B, Eucabolic Sacrislam, who played for Barroloma towarn team under Johan Chuyffin the 1990s. helped mid develop my getne 1990s, helped mid develop my getne 1990s, helped mid develop my getne 1990s, helped mid develop my getne participants of Calls Mylop. Help a lot of poople which have helped mid in all my years at Calls as in Hould be difficult to single one out.

### "I didn't have to give it a second thought when I heard of Liverpool's interest"

### Luis, did you ever have any dealings with The Vilanova last year?

LUIS: Not hugo contact only neybe 4
we were training together with the first
team but not much more than that

### What were the main attractions about joining Liverpool?

IAGO: The club's tradition and its have been here before and that are between the before and that are

LURS: feet smiler to lago it in one of the biggest clubs in the world. It has a great helory and philosophy and, as logo says, the players here are all great players, claim't here to givult a is socond thought when heard of Liverpools interest.

### What have you made of Brendan Rodgers in

your first few weeks?

UAGO: He's defeately an interesting coach. He is very interested in Spanish loothell and the philosophy of theiring.

### THE BOY FROM BARCA B



Luis Alberta is a product of Sevilla PC who spent his first two seesons as a senior with the B learn, playing 77 times and malding neven appearances in La Uos. Last sesson he spent a year on Ioan at Barcelona's renowned La Masia Academy Playing in the Barce El side he lound the net 11 times and provided 17 assists in 38 appearances. He doesn't like to pigeonhole himself. "I don't have a tavourtie position - It depends on Per lumit Election | Title Minneys period and install being being I play I like to play with freedom. I'm a technical player I provide posiety and in the penalty area I score goels."

### "HE'LL DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT"



"It ween't a surprise that lagor Aspass iof Calls this surmine reveals iof Calls this surmine reveals Castavo Agulla from Vigo podcast \$EFutbot ES Celestor (The Football io Sky Steut; For at long time we've known that clubs have been watching him. We are losting a hero who's been with us from the age of nice. When he first joined the easterny players under 10 weren't allowed, so lago protended he was a year click? Ihmn't achiably wats. The chub immediately signed him.

Tago started out as an attacking relativetier before becoming a striker in 2008, while still a ternager he made his Celta debut but didn't appear again until the following season. At that time Celts looked like they might be relegated to the third division and were drawing 0-0 with Alavias when he scored two goals to earn a vital win. Of course the lans instantly loved him.

"Here a grown to become a very good hockoler He imputative and can do something different in chill floud standards. He can do something different in chill floud standards. He is contact the child had been as the both here to both him to atop him he interest curving at opponents. We'll miss him and limit it is a second to the child had been as the contact the contact had been as the conta

that has behind the way that it's played which is obviously laminar to us I think that is trying to infuse those ideas into the players here is more Sounish

is more Spanish approach in beethall LUBS it there it is lisseased line as to come have as Spanish players. The manager has studed the garners Spanish and the feet that he species Spanish is a positive for us as well under the spanish of the light players. Leave possible of the Leave possible of the Leave possible of Le

Spanish football has enjoyed a good period but how do you feel the Promier League will compare to La Liqu?

(AGO: think the lootball in England will

be more competitive. Spain has had a lot of highs and love in toolbalf but what you find is that because the TV rights are not as equally divided it makes it a lot more difficult for the other dubs to compete with Barcelona and Roni Madrid, who take just about everything That means the level of football isn't as pompetitive because the other clubs do not have the levels of linance to compele. Here it is different and much more competitive as a result of the cluids getting more of an equal share On the other side of it, the successes Market Mark States and the Control Jeam have had enother effect. Spanish players never used to leave the country but because of those successes they are more valued than they used to be and that meens more of us are cetang popphunities to play in other leagues.

"It could be significant that opponents know little about us" LIMB: hago here each it all there? I arm expecting it to be very competitive and whe will have to adept to any challenges theil present thermselves to us. Whe may get less sippice and time on the ball but we are locking forward to the gurness.

### How would you describe your 2012/12 sessons?

IAGO: If was a great season for ma Friede my debut in the top flight and it also managed to score none decisive goals against some of thu top sides en Spain, so that was very satisfying Obviously as a learn and as a dubit was more difficult but the main thing was that we old achieve our objective which was to stay out of the bottom three and namoin in the Primeta Lock LUKS: Barcelons was a groat place to work. Barca is different to any other club in the sense that they have this ans nirthwinort atomong at yrigosolytiq ove yourosters the chance to move up into the first isem. Of all the learns. in Spain there are probably more players that move up from the youth team and progress. In my case, it gave me a good shop window to secure a teasonably good future in the game. by getting is great move to a club like. LAMPROOF AS YOU would expect the emphasis was always on playing good football by passing end keeping the trell It was a great year

### You are relatively unknown in this country - will that help in your debut sesson?

AAGO: It's not only a good thing for us from the point of view that the fans don' know so much about us built may be more significant that delenders and opponents won't know so much about us either. Their may have been the case with Machau at Swansea City Best season, for écample.

What's the best place of advice you've ever received as a player? LUIS: Aways be yourself Be patient.

Work hard IAGO: That lootball always gives you a second chance

How did you find the first lew weeks of the pre-season? LUIS: Harder than in Spani

IAGO: The first week was the toughest. And from what Philippe (Coutnho) has told us it is consistently tougher and we can expect this all season Philippe made an

The indewore put Brough For pre-sa norm, well and inde-



stans at Anhaid against Stoke City Wir want to be ready to take part when the competitive action starts



th never og a traver will give it a go even if t get it wrong! Luis won? by LLRS: I am shy about it. I gal umbarnssed

Your tettoos - any significance to them? LUIS, I like wizards and magicians so that explains the design on my arm Liviso like the words on there, it is something created along with the testop artist. The footballer at the bottom of niv arm isn't anyone in particular just a randóm imelge. MGQ: The tation on my leg is something had done years ago. Liust thad the design. It doesn't have any perficular meaning. It is the same with the star by my left west.

Ljust Mod the Khape

lago, in November 1998 Liverpool played a UEFA Cup Ne in Vigo the Shower Germand on may be rest the time forms time - were you there? IAGO: In almost sure that I was I would've been 11 and I know for definite that during that period as a young ind or the books was a boll boy of every pame at the Estadio Balactos so the chances are that was at that perfocular fodure. It's pullur possible that Steven Genard would have walked past me that night?

### What are your aims for LUIS: First of all collectively Liverpool

have to get back in Europe at all costs Uverpool are one of the biggest dubs. er world football and we've got to make sure we get back into European competition. From my own point of view I want to be happy, enjoy my football and my time here at Liverpool IAGO: Personally if would be to play as many pames as I can and take on board all the hew concepts and ideas everything that I need to learn about playing for Jvarpool. As a learn, we've got to arm to get into Europe again next season. That's very very emportant and our rembdon has to be to get into the top four. Starting all with a win against Stoke will be important and no like log-or trave everyk, nov an while you trail from the word go

How are your English resons progressing? U.AS: We haven't got a car or a house at the moment and with having two sossions a day at Melwood as well, we haven't really had time. I had one leason. on my first day but my English is bad? IAGO: Luis is shy about talking English. and doesn't went to speak it. I'm not



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Oh yes - Steven Gerrard becomes the first and only Liverpool player since the legendary Billy Liddell to acore in 15 possessitive sessions

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40-yard screamer wrongly ruled out



Cerra does a 'Scholesy' and comes out of refrequent GO BACK TO START

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### How the new signings and youngsters start the season will be fascinating

### HAMAN



unng my first year with лиеграфі 1999:00 we operad the season with games agoinst Sheffield Wednesday Walford and Middlesbrough, On paper It looked like a straightforward start. It ended with us taking rust three points after we tout both the second and third futures 1-0.

If wan a difficult spell but iden't remember Gerard Houlter getting too down about it. We'd signed a lot of new players including me, and he knew if would take time for everyone to settle in. It weari't a perfect beginning ernoe ea bad as, i nerew agnirit tud Decole anggested

The start of the season is obviously an important time because if you do well it can set you up to challenge for Pronounts. But # 6 dooses go to plan you can still turn things around. We recovered well to linish lourth in that year live mentioned and would've got in to the Champions League but for losing at Bractford City on the last day

The point is that a bed start to the 500500 duesni quarnitice prything. The opposite applies too. If you can take minemum points during August if doten t mean you it defendely lineshirt the top four or win the league

Closely we would all prefer to begin well During so breeds confidence that is important when now blavers are still fincing their feet. Unfortunately you can get an idea of how good. surnmer signings are until the real action begins. Having total of friendles

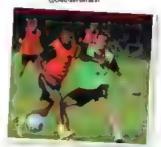
"Having no European games can really help – it did with us in 1999/00"



boxim-mates, but the true test arrives now ad at enerth are strong nertw Even dier, new players require timb especially those who have come from abroau. They need a lew months to adjust to a completely different style of play. If a lot of them, one down that it can be difficult for the team. Some will go straight in in the starting XI others will be on the bench. Finding the right balance when it comes to introducing

new rads is crucial As well as new players there are a host of youngsters in Brenden's souad hoping to build on the progress they ve made so far in their careers. Having potential is one thing eventually you visitions primingles hata of ever-Some of those Infer to have been around the first beem for a white now and they know what the dub is all about. That can help them to produce their bost. Everyone will get a chance al some stage, even though our fedure list contains no European bes Some people will moan alocal that fact but, going back to 99/00 again > fell having no Champions League or JEFA Cup games helped us. We were able to concentrate on doing well and reestablishing ourselves near the top.

Performing in the league will be the manager's priority too. He knows we need to challenge for the top four and is doing his utmost to make that to bakty. The 6 points we got last year is a better total than actin Gerard Houter with 54 and Rafa Berstez (58) managed in their debut campaigns Having those ambitions is what makes this bring of your really excreng. Fulfilling them is an over batter looking and one we will hopefully expenence Follow Didl on Twitter @Distment lamenn





I KNOW THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO GUIDED ME ALONG THE ROAD TO THE **FIRST TEAM** - STEV & HUC

Steven Gerrard - by the men who made him

### THERE WASN'T ANYTHING HE COULDN'T DO



Hughie (left) sees a neach of the Academy

### HUGHIE MCAULEY (Academy youth-learn and reporte-

(According youth-learn and r fears coach 1968-2009)

If you go to Melvicod to watch the that fearn their you? so of the Steven wants to win every five-s-ade game. If he doesn't he is upset or he! but having is go at the others on his fearn That winning mantally has been part of his children almo he were a young boy. Every limb he look to the proch he showed it. Poople wing play for uhypool need a winner s

Then there is desire and commitment to play and train spain he had plently of those qualities too it was up to us to put of the good players and learns around him to make him over better Hopedhay we did hat his such an environment he was able to appress himself improve and develop "Faliant was there was not always about the provision of the couldn't of And Ladically he couldn't of And Ladically.

which ten't the case with every youngster the knew the game inside out

The only area he really immant to oppose a second decision-making regarding when to challenge for the bell. A lot of that came from his natural enth-seasm file wanted to win every 50:50 70:30 or even 30:20 in the



opposition is layour and felt he could he didn't want to huit other playmers, he just wanted in competity. Football is an aggressive game. At times though his was overceelous and we though if he are overceelous and we though if he are getting injured.

When boys are still growing up it dish sometimes be hard to specifie to their about their own game. But Steven eventually look our message on board. Coaches have to earn a player is that and he linew we were only bying to help him.

Another big part of his development was his territy. They were always there for him and that support is valid for a youngster because there will be disappointments along the way. You won't win every game or every thophy. You won't always convier every chance. Sometimes things will go wrong, bearing to dose with toose moments is part of becoming a footbaler. Stever was stelle to do that Once he went out on the field he had this ability to leave everything.

Another big part of Irreleving it is taking your chance in the first baam what it eventually commissation; Steven serind his opportunity and then grabbed it. He first lending goal spaints Shinffeld Whomeschy was part of that it herefic solo affort. It was Staven amounting; I can play at this level! this is what I can do and im here to stay.

### Favourite Gerrard moment

I ston't think I can just juck one. For me his postacoring shifty in white make such as a final level Steven scored so many level Steven scored so many level Steven scored so many level steven you've seen the score field in the FA Cup final, he was deing the same speciacular thing at the legel of rine or 10.





### DAVE SHANNON (Academy youth-team coach 1867-2008)

I was affing at home one right when a guy called flee highrights, who was involved well Whiston-Juniors, phoned me Hughes Serve and I used to go to a for of Sunder lengue generate to find referred youngstem. We couldn't covereny hours also we'd rask those working in local under age football to let us recover there was a player fleey mally rated. Ben told me. There is this led to our fleet serve and he is outstanding.

you'll have to see him play. We expensed for Blevere to come to brain with use at the Vermon Sergator Centre in Stanley Park and he was semply phenomens. Full of energy he was getting stuck into the older playors. We had a so tot laterate boys at the club but from the first menute. Stanley was specially all Yes high to do was ensure the kept working on his sechnique and continued improving the did blocus to his low thereing.

He tracelled during the passing drills We distrike balls at him from 10 or 20 yards away and he disprint them with one lough before knocking the ball straight back to us. When I speak to him now he jokingly calls the 'Ping because I'd always emphasise the need to ping sesses to stop otlenders, intercepting them He could do it then and you see him doing know littles and you see him doing know littles and the stage Thai dain't concern set all? Our were were always based on the talent, not height. The Barcelone

concern us at all. Our were we always based on the talent, not helpfut. The Barcelone team of recent years are a great example of that, it became implement with Steven when he went through a growth spuri

later on and he shot up From the start we were certain he had what was needed to go all the way We know if he avoided senaus. injury and illness he'd make it. Steven's natural talent was a big reliach for that belief There was also his inclination to take responsibility As a lock he wanted to enpress people He wants to he the males males in the 16671 and usually er Ho relaties being a leader

### Favourite Gerrard moment

K was a B-team game significal Man United at Malvicod. The teal dropped to him about 25 years out. He chested it down before sending a shot shright at the last shright shrinks at the last shright shrinks at the last shrinks at

HE STILL CALLS ME 'PING'TO THIS DAY

### I NEVER LIKE PREDICTING BUT I KNEW HE'D MAKE IT



### STEVE HEIGHWAY (Academy director 1989-2007)

Roughly ion years ago had to leave a listificating game any! If west runing as year lown Anniel Road Hower's the care park or Stanley Park. On the other side of the attent spotted someone desideding the same. If was Stayen's daid As we popped along he fall for "Everything you and the other coaches said would happen in our Stayen's categories and would happen in our Stayen's categories.

If was great fo have been given their bus to the Working with Steven was a real pleasure. We saw this develop from an enthuseable topy in to a world-class player this statent was inner english from the beginning but I never like predicting players will make a suntil they are slightly cider. By the time he trached 4 or 15 I was certain he would go on to be a unverpicel player. The only other individuals we ever said the same about at that stage was Michael Owen.

Stiven's love for LTC was someting that really shone through When it came to him againing a new deal every year as young players do when they progress through the venous age groups if was always streighthoward in total must have signed on re-signed him about seven or exist that.

We always know he was one of the best overy likyper sround. Steven has said the was guited not to be selected for the sortion of excellence as Lifeshall That ident tomorem us in the slightness. Only is few boys were chosen and not use of them went on to make it in a selfiant way were they because it means we over they because it means we over they because it means we so could stall work wat someone with thought so highly of We water cartain he was good smough to here gone there, in the end is didn't hander the steeplopment and it.

The growing baths that caused Steven from ingoling in union weren't intigo conservation. He was nightly finetrated declarate the saw has traited Microsel. Own I pushing an But walknew Steven would be allow under it you the he settled in the saw body if we warm certain about Steven is sturia. Microsel fall the same way I remarkate him several can't walk



until Staven is in the team because he knows all the runs make and how to find me. It wasn't long before that awasome sight became a malgir.

don't see much of Steven now but he knows if he ever needs advice all he has to do is pick up the phone

### Favourite Gerrard moment

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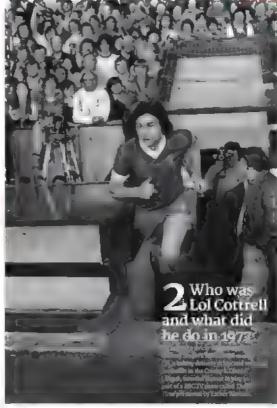
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# A Testimonial Question XI





### Which player once missed his own testimonial match involving Liverpool FC? It was Cartisle. United forward Birly Hogan, who was voted the club's best-ever

It was Caristic United forward Bibly Hogan, who was voted the club's best ever player by fans in the rown's Evening Rows - logan paived for the Cumbrians under BBC Shanddy, and when Enverped played at Brunton Park in his honour in March, 1956, all a drowthe misses the care to the ground and was stranged a home!





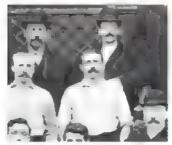


### 6 Which team did Liverpool face for Billy Liddell's testimonial in 1960

For Bully's benefit match alverpoor played an international XI featuring Bert Trautmann, Jimmy Aumfield. For Bevie Timmy McClary Stanley Marthews.

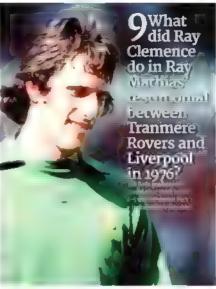
Nat Lofthouse and Tom Finney. The home side won 4-2.







The Senti-sh defender, who was the first—averpool player to receive a benefit match. Liverpool wom 8-th at Accrington Stanley entered a den of lives to settle a wager and received a gold meda, worth—85.







# 11 Who was subbed for his own good in Jan Molby's testimonia?

Robbie Fowier be was involved or a fincase with Durch defender Bjorn van der Doelen in Molby's testintomal between Liverpool and PSV in August 1996. The game ended in a 3-a victory for the Eindhoven outfit with future (tech multichler Bolo Zenden on the scoresiber.)



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12 May 1978 **Bolton Wanderers** 5 Liverpool 5 Peter Thompson 20,516

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27 March 1979 Liverpool 0 Воливана M'gladbach 1 Emlyn Hughes

10 May 1983 Liverpool 0 England XI 2 Phil Thompson 18,553

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12 Aug 1989 Liverpool 2 Everton 3 Phil Neal 23,480

23 July 1987 Bayern Munich 3 Liverpool 2 Dieter Hoeness 25,000

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# BUT IT HELPS

New signing Simon Mignolet speaks to Simon Hughes

mor Mignolet doose I say the normal things a goalkeeper might say about the pents of surrection with plays in his position Maybe you need a different mentality to dive at the fact and stude of a striker he ponders. But it terms of pressure goaliteepers are not unique Everyone is the same. You make a metake imaybe a series of mistakes. the manager sees it and you are out

of the team. No place is guaranteed. Mignatet recognises though that 4 is a footballer a ability to respond to adversify that defines his carear.

Porhaps that is because his path towards becoming a goalkeeper is not a normal one Like Mapoy Githore

the ice-hockey (Naver who wash t very good at ice typickey and instead became a gotter (and a professional one at that). Mignolet grew up with aspealions of being a centrallowers. He was always talker than others hes age. He also had a robust physique. Yet at the age of 14 local dub Set. Truden deaded that he was not good andugh to progress in their youth toystem So Micholet was released

he the frying weeks that followed plans were revised. Migriplet's lather had once busin an unvitory doublecoor but decided that it caveer its inadministrator in the Belgue imitary was safer. He supposted that take the gloves one day agreed and we bink light a property of the typ from Foliar I sediment you down among a more you renily thought about 4 before because was determend to be a strker Even though Belgium has lamous goalkeopers Jean-Maria Plaff and Michel Proud homime my herbes

"As a kid I was determined to be a striker my heroes were Romario and Ronaldo'





were always Romano and Ronaldo But word in goal unjoyed 4 and that : was the start of a new chapter

Within 10 months Migripiel's performances in local junior loagues led to anomaches from the socuts employed by the same club that had not so long ago decided they didn-need him Eventually he was persuaded track. After kist three years as a qualkeoper he was selected for Sint-Tradery's first topic ... It wills a namarkable rise Necessity with the enotion of imperior, in the most challenging situations, we resilience aparted an ingenious volubor. It's a nice story to tell afterwards out at the bring it was said. The day got released was one of my worst

Today as he stodies into the Metwood antercom dresped in full training kill no triples overly inch is KONTANT SUMPORTY HIS CONTRICTOR BUTY sized gloves on the table heving just finishes a buigh syssion octavola with John Achterberg, Liverpool 9 goalkinghing cond: He wipes it bead of award from his brow. What he has to say is impreservely articulate

Mignolet can already speak four languages Duich, French, German and English. He is just 25 years old. Education has always been important to him but what happened aged 14. Committee of the Committee of the Committee of be something to fall back upon. As he points out. "You can see injures happen and run everything, the naive to believe that anything lasts forever so you must prepare

He progressed from high school with grades strong enough to study political science at the University of Jewish He shortened his surhiner holidays in the surrener of 2012 to complete the degree. "Going through this process has helped me as a lootballer. My lirst goalkeoping coach in Belgium told me that the way I live and my character shapes the way you are as a goalkeeper. You are not just the goalkeeper, you are the person. The person cornes first. So il you educate yoursell, maturity cornes a kide quicker and you understand how to approach and react to life stuations and professional situations.

Mignolet's second challenge as a footballer was to recover from relegation with Sint-Truiden, He says the year they went down was one in which he Teamed more than any other " Steven Gerrard would probably lestify that the burdens strached to any footsaller representing his home-town club are testing even at the best of times. "The difference is that when you walk on the street, everyone knows your face People will always ask you what is going on. It's great when everything is good in terms of results because people are happy. Whenresults are bad if becomes difficult

Sent-Truiden were promoted track to the Jupiler League within 12 months and then linished fourth. This was a massive activevement for siclub of our size and ultimately it earned me a move to Sunderland continues. Mignolet. From a very young age t have learned about the highs and the lows. I see that as a good thing now

At Sunderland, Craig Gordon was the club's undisputed not having staned for a Bresh record tee for a goalkeoper of 69 million in 2007 from Health Gordon however was injured and Stave Bruce put Mignolet in the side straightaway. There was no time to settle. "I sloned hopping to play with determined but was also maked Licrowill I was given a chance I was crusble. Fortunately the manager had tarth and it worked out wat for me

Mignolet now faces a different land of challenge at Liverpool as Pepu Roins moves to Italian club Napoli on loan Brender Rodgers has said that his recrudingnit is aimed at improving the stranger of the squad and Mignolet is serious and detarroined. Nothing secons to true him "When I find spoke to the gaffer he explained the size of Liverpool. People from after know Everpool is a huge dub but it's not until you come here that you truly realise if, I suppose he [Rodgers] was in a similar position tast year. He knew he was coming to be a big dub but the approportion of that only truly arrives after a couple of weeks or months There is a pressure every single day to achieve results. That's what we're here for

" dign"t think about pressure, though If you all there thinking about it, you'll pnly get worried. You have to accept il and locus. You can use pressure in a positive sonse. All the end of the day that's why you become a professional football player. You live for the pressure and you try to do your best."

Mignolet inslats two qualities are crucial for a goalkeeper to succeed in the Premier League. The first is to be fearless. After smashing his nose in an aerul battle with Emile Haskey in 2012 he knows all about that. "When my missus arrived in the hospital she told me that she could not see a nose. he recalls without even winding

After 4 happened a lot of people asked the same question: is he going to be like he was before? It didn't change me. The hald game in the first few minutes, a prose came and t dived at the leet of the striker qual the same. would say that as a poalkeeper

sometimes. It can be a dangerous position because the protection is not always there. But it's part of the job. You can't have any doubts in that sense ragred when people say that goalkeepars have to be a bit mantar You have to go with your instincts more than your mind because there is rarely much time to think too much."

The shifty to recover is most important however. But that is something he's been doing ever since that life-changing day at 14 When Sint-Truiden decided he was not up to standard. "This only thing you have to accept as a positive over in that if you make a mistake, usually nobody oline in there to save you. You and isolated and the last line before the goal. So you have to be strong when something goes wrong. Mentality is very important. If you have a problem

"It's not until you come here that you truly realise the size of this football club"

you have to get over it quickly and

Unfortunately gostkeepers occasionally make mistekes, I don't know one that hasn't made a metake in he life. It has happened to me in the past and it will happen again in the tuture. But when it does, I d like to think I'd be able to clear with it. to stand up and be strong."

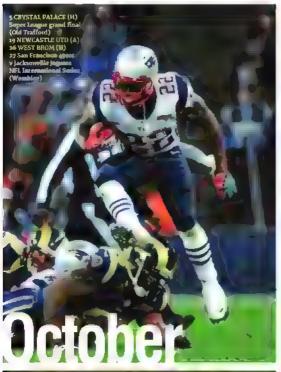


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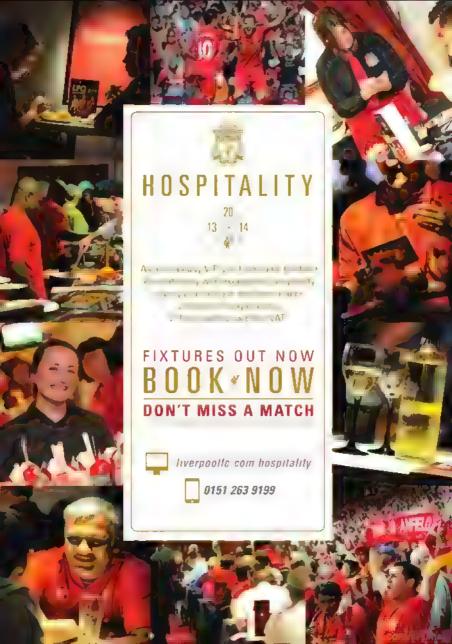
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# GOLDEN RULES OF ACADEMY LIFE

Many years ago Richie Partridge (left) and Neil Mellor arrived at Liverpool from different places. They explain to Simon Hughes what it takes to settle, impress and move up to Melwood

# "Dealing with criticism is a huge part of football – you have to stand up for yourself"

The certainties don't always make it in football

MICHIE PARTHIDGE, DK WHY William brought up on Drubbir William probably the steme as a lot of order around Liverpisol you finish school you to out playing football straightaway in the park, you got called in for disripar and the routing is exactly the same the next day came over to Liverpool for the first time when was 15 with Michael Follow who expreed at the same time But still got homeack, it lested for three or four months it never got to the point where I was thinking of jacking it in. But it probably affected how trained and performed. It's important to by and may with the lads that are experiencing the same emotions. take the stick and give it out. **NEIL MELLOP: I was with** 

Manchester Oily from 10 until 16. Joey Barton was in the sainte team as me, along with Tyrone Mears. They were both good players but I wouldn't say liney were as highly thought-of as others. Joey for instance was on a month-to-month contract but he managed to break into the lirst teem and took his chance with both hands. it's a common theme in lootball. You hear young players often get labelled as certainties to make it in the first terrin. Quite often, they don't and someone else does. Heré al Liverpool's academy there was a lad called lan Armstrong.

who was a year below Riche and a year above me. Everybody spoke about his potential Herhold the Noecar He was the new aig thing the next Michael Owen But he didn't play a first-regim game. RP: Players heing louted as future professionals it's happened before and kis probably happening now if a CRUCKAI D'UNI ARTY YEXUNG PLAYOR REININGS that no matter what club he set if he material in coreer out of football, warming g living, then he will have beaten 99.9 per pent of kids that yet out to do that. Priese are very law that moles it at obtalevel with a averaged Everten or distaid. For the rest of their the correspond is such that if you forgo why professional careur you vuidona wall

# You've got to earn respect

uvernool's first team

Milit Dealing with criticism is a

Academy now, It still costs. But when We were young it was more ruthless. Nost count of the times it probably went a little bit too lar Judhis would go out in rooms boots would get thrown and kicked, someone would and up with a out head. If was a regular occurrence but theirs the way you teamed to survive. There was a hierarchy and the first year scholars would not the most alick. If was a healthy system RP: Those values remain to an eident You have to earn respect by working your way up the lood chain than starting all over again if you reach Metwood When I first came over as a YTS icleaned the training-rooms and the boots it was a full day's work getting in before 9em and not leaving until after 5pm We were around the first-learn players and had the privilege or going into their dressing-room. You wouldn't open your mouth for lear of getting named to shreds No matter what you ve done as a teenager nothing really counts until you ve cemented your place as a regular in

huge part of football. Not everyone is going to like your style of play, whether that's taris seammates or cogones You have to get into the mind-set of sticking to your guns, standing up for voursell and dealing with the mental aide of things. That process starts with being strong inside the dressing-room and not being sized to muck in. Now at the Academy the players are lucky that the club helps develop mental strenicity. If the techs by and use a, they can benefit greatly PAPE Neit and myself were the type of lads that got on with things and ared to done with any vagues individually. If burnoone was giving out stok we'd give it back, but there were sinc a lot of lacts that weren't as confident. There are players here now like that but there are pursonnel in place that can help

bring the character out of the player to

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HIM: We warm in control the big O-bedroom houses on Antiold Road Stephen Whatti s pavents lived noo door and his mum was our landledy. an interferiung door tomes the houses she looked after the cooking and cleaning, We couldn't have asked for more it was a real expenence living with so many people. Aside from an invasion of mice it was great. Was the only English and Richle and his Insh instes teamed up: RP: There was me. Michael (Foley) Paul O'Mara and Kevin Dohody In games of Killer Pool weld conspire against Net levery day there was a competition to see who made toastes and the loser would be first into the idchen, so we'd deliberately make buts that Neil had all the most difficult shots. Neil was always left on the

nushion. Jakally weld have a second

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It was all carried out in good spirits

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round where the loser would again find:

themself in the latchen, this time making NMs I can't remember many occasions



crice: I arrived back in my room to find the place apside-down. The wardrobe was dismished and placed on my bud think everyone was behind if I alorned out but then calmed down and realised tiwas being rially MPr We didn't have PlayStations to If the time so we lound other ways to armuse ourselves. It was just at the time when people started having mobile phones. That provided proportunities Fromember statching up Prival (O'Maya). Herd just started seeing the gat who he's now resimed to got hold of his phone and changed nor number with ining it fold all the lads about it and we padhened round. We were all alting in the living room and when everyone was suffed pentition a last it read portething the "Hi Paul sorry out were. going to have to leave 4 at that His lace systemopped and he skuked oil opisture. Rept the unds going for a title white but in the and thact to tall him He didn't find the furmy side

## 4 Everyone wants to beat you

RIPLE From the age of 12- grew up with the host hopmsentative teams with the lost hopmsentative teams. We had players see Robbie Keene. Hechael Dunne and Stephen McPhol. Here you re chucked into a group wife players a year older. It he came age and a very uponger all of vallenging for your place. You go from bord a reason that a see you go, as of the bost player.

"The opportunities here offer any player the best chance to make it"

in your position into a liter where you are trying to be the best player in your position. The challenge can only improve you. You've diaying with B befor standard of player on a daily base and because you were that badge (the Liver Bird) other teams want to beat your allot more. You relatarget MW: The opportunities here offer any player the best opsable change of becoming a professional footballer You re out on the pitch every day but if also gives you the bast possible opportunity of succeeding it emother field us well because the educational standards here are very good. If you put everything into both, you've got a chance of making II in any industry

# 5 you've just got to be solfish

RPL In order to get to Melwood you've got to be at the top of the Academy Ba you've gone from being at the top all one part of the club to the bottom of another. You have to earn respect First-team players follow that 4 all boils down to getting solection and playing well you are there to take their place Nobody wants to be dropped for a Intriduce So you have to keep your head down, work hard and most of all prove yourself as a footuation again. MM: Hughe McAuley gave us all a great piece of advice many years ago. He'd always say Look only for your name on the learnsheet every. week. Okay you want to be friendly with people but the ultimate arm a to get out on the pitch. So there a

definitely a selfish element to being a footballer. You learn by watching how the senior linst-team players. train but you need to believe in yourself to do the right things. as well this a nerve-wracking experience because one minute you're watching them on TV as superstars, the next minute you're expected to be demanding the ball off them. Those who do that usually settle in quicker if means the expenenced ones don't see you as a young shy kid. They see you as a fellow e professional

# RICHIE THE PHYSIO

White Neil has emberted on a media career following his retirement from footbell Pichla now works as a physiotherapist for Liverpoof's Under-21 team.

"My whole career was plaqued by injuries. The says. "I had bad had all could lives." remember coming back from one serfoul. Archesing had had one serfoul. Archesing had had only place to bequare one with the resolvery when my dog changed into the while out on a well-of lawelled up and quite short I was off to Dr. Richard Sheadman in the LIS for another operation. My career were like their.

Aged 22 I realleed I had to make contingoncies. was just thinking about the possibility of beeing a family and I maked I waen't going to be a player forever. Another bad injury could have ended It all very quickly. As soon as I left Liverpool (for apaths at Sheffleid Wednesday. Rotherham United, Chester City and Stockport) I went to Sallord to study physiotherapy. I figured I was a good back-up as I was pessionate about II and had a good understanding of how a aportaperson's body functioned. was fortunate that circumstance meant I was in a position to come back to the club in this capacity."





# Coady and Ngoo could benefit immensely from their loan spells

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nact day Genard Houser called me
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sent out on loan to Weet Ham United.
Although my spell at Upton Park
proved on to be as successful as
I'd lived. It was ontamy beneficial in
terms of heighing me mature.

It's important to find the right oldfor the right player at the right time. Encouring right that survivier is few Jiverpool youngstens seem to have found the right olds to join on lear-Conor Coastly has moved to Shaffeld Jinted and Michael Ngoo to Yeovil

The Jinder 21 league is improving but it and consultative by the standards of the Football League where you can't be a passenger because every point counts. Your team matter have to pay their mortgages so if you let the team down in a gente you get found out.

tri eigning for Sheffeld United, Coady will benefit from playing for a big club with history and tradition. Jinket are currently in League One but them is an expectation that they should be in the Championship, Yes, Conor is a young player but bocause he arrives from Liverpool there will be an instant demand on him to perform it means there is pressure stlached to every single time he guils on a shirt As England Under-20 captain, you'd expect him to leature quite a lot. But If United lose stry game at home, it's possible that the team will get boost off the pitch. He'll have to learn to deal





County in u-2" action that season (above) and Hype of Hearis with their You often learn more about a player's mentality in the difficult times. I think Coady has the amnour to everyone these and of problems.

Ngos a dealt with Yearvel is slightly different. They are expected to struggle in the Champoneship and the crowd might not be so demanding. But Michael had is good start to least season with Liverpool's Under-21s bise. Scriffer Discouling Michael and the side of the struggle of the side of the struggle of the side of

Thelieve that young strikers are under mother positions are under mother positions relainly because they have to until their positions relainly because they have to until their inclusion by scoring cells. Across all the big clabs withe country, you don't see many academy, or Clubs would retire indo to the unrisker market where they can buy a ready made internal relative their cells.

I also believe that players develop at different rates, it is clear that Nigon is a goalscorer and has decent technical ability. Standing so tall, if he lills out physically a bill more and teems how to use his body. He could turn out lo be a rest handful. That will only happen with supprisons, though

For both of these players and anyone else who moves out on loan, it's very

# "Players soon realise it's a different world the minute you step away from this club"

emportant they adopt the nghi attitude if anyons believes they will always have how combined at Liverpool to return to without groung their all in the pend severy they life of themselves a step closer to the end door. For the players that remain at Liverpool it's important that they make the most of the facilities at the Accidency if is an offerent world the intrinse you step away from the football door.



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# **Tommy Smith**

he first time that Tommy
Smith played in one of the
famous five-associagemes at
Metwood in like early 1980s
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"My teither died when was 15 so guess I listened to what people like Shanks and Bob Pastley said more than others. But "Ve always and that it took me 12 months to get a reputation and a lifetime to get doll if.

Shought up in the shadow of Amfeld. Tommy idolased Billy uddelf and once appeared as a 15-year-old in the same resence teem. "I was inside-left and he was outside-left, he was a lovely fella. By the time he broke into the first seam Tommy wasn't all blood and thunder. He could play a bit too. A strong, skillfut and advineturous full back and contro-back hird accent almost 50 goels in 600-plus appearances for the Redd from 1960 to 1977 and is pine of an etitle group of central defenders (is soon in a European Cup limit (1977). "I'd compare that goal to serving an oblin familia and hitting a hitche-in-one an goll, exercityfting about it was perfect."

He felt \_\_verpool a year later having won three European to tophose in all plus four leagues thise and two FA Cupe 1 First to the black-and-white penelled all in a pre-season friendly at German side Hannover 95 in August 1957 2. Penalty seved by Spurs leaguer Pat Jermings in a 1 1 draw at Antield on Grand Netoniel day in March 1973. Nevin Recigian trad one seved by the great Institution for the same game 3. Bodyeal by referee Both Rattimewoon. in a volatile FA Cherty Shiptid ancounter with Leeds United & Wombley in August 1974 - Keegan and Billy

4. No quarter given against Leeds again the time thundering into a tackle on winger Eddie Gray during a typically prinding goalless draw with Don Reve's men at Antield in April 1966 6. Parading the European Cup at Liverpool's Pictori Jibrary in May 1977 with Reds manager Bob Paisley and team-mates Jirminy Case. Terry McDermott, Emlyn Hughes, Tommy Smith and Phil Thompson 8. Running round Wembley with the FA Out 12 years earlier with (from left to right) the late Gooff Strong, Flon. Yests, Gordon Mine, Peter Thompson and leddy been. Roger Hunt and Willie Stevenson, Leads United the apponents once more 7. Photographed before a match at Cheisea on 16 April 1965, eleven

days after his 20th birthday







# Beneath the Liverpool Ladies midfielder Amanda Da Costa takes time out in her famous neighbourhood SUDULOAN



# blue skies

flor a two-week break in New York with my tensily it was back to realify to was back to realify to me as refluend to my none or Penny Laine in south unerpool, which can only mean training consuming way too many coppuccinos, and lopefully bickering out the second hall of our women a season at the too of the lengue

One of the benefits of playing for Liverpool is that we get to train every day. Our entire team along with our stall, is dedicated to putting in the extra work in order to ensure a successful sensor. As a playor you obviously crave the games stepping on the pitch in hors of a condit with your tearmanter and having the opportunity to gain something in return for all of the haird work we put in at braining. However if is equally in a braining. However if is equally work outside of matindays in order to grow as competitors. After all nobody perfected anything overnight.

It leeks as though we are going through our second pre-season of the year. Pre-season #1 spanned a couple of months and involved countiess hours of fibress and bechnical training.



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along with some hierdies as well. Pre-season #2 has positioned itself nght in the middle of our campaign as a majority of the players in the FAWSL have gone away with their respective national learns for the 2013 European Championships in Sweden Liverpool are lucky arrough to have four of our players recresent their countries in the tournament, which is amazing for the growth of the game and for this club as a whole. Lucy Bronze, Gemma Bonner and Fara Williams travelled with the England squad, while Katrin Omaredicitir was named for idetand. Eyen though I'd much rather to taking the positive momentum weld gathered as a team before our break into our second half of matches, it's an amazino opportunity for my team mates to get to represent the FAY/St. and Liverpool FC at a tournament with such high profile. It also shows the sense of unity this team has developed gver the pourse of the season by having the rest of the Liverpool Ladies

end our emazing lains inditing for England and lestend. As I setd, I've miseled playing matches but the break has proven to be much needed in grang my body a rest, and I'm grateful to be training every day to improve inviself follore we lock off positi-

Our first match back after this mid season broak will be against note often then Arsenzi, on Euroday 4. August. We've had some highe and limit was fifted as as to the first Arsenzia in the low being adomely low and the high being incredibly high. We first lood the 2012 league champlons at Artifield in an FA Cup gents final match. We that to eliminate a strong Gunners.



# "I've missed playing matches because of the break but at least it's given my body a rest



Columniting with fearth-realize during the conventions with at Armeral

side from the cup in front of our fans on the Kop but carns up short 2-1 Seeking revenge only a week later in a regular season misich, we won 4-0 at Emirates to sturn the women s

Interving an even table with both sides talking as win, our first league game back at our home field versus. Assensi will undoubtedly be a mornandum-altering evening. This season Assensi have bailed to perform as the powerhouse they we been the peak, while Livispoor have found success game in and gainne out. We reall a setting out from the first step back, as if infants our in-embarate who seague play and a the first step viola segue play and a the first step viola segue play and a the first step.

Assendient the only big game we have withing for us. We have managed to advance through the Controllar Cup stages and are due to lace London Lodges at home in the seminate three days later. Having faced Lincoln three already this season, we know it to be no easy task to face this trard-thing side in a game with so much at stake Fonding 1-3 and 3-2.



"It's important now to focus my energy into training and getting ready to go again"

wins over them has not been easy for us, uncoin are a talented team that excels by getting you off of your gameplan and having a workrate that is hard to match for 90 minutes Not to mention the added element of revenge uncoln are no longer in contention for any of the top spots in the readue table but can set things right with this chance of advancing to the Continental Cup final. It's a game. that we will definitely not be taking lightly and im looking forward to the possibility of some Continental Cup hardware in our locker

When I first signed with Liverpool. fiched so bocause. I wanted to win a championship. With the possibility of this coming true so soon 4's been hard for me to channel all of my excitement while we put that goal on hold Pre-season #2 sooms to be taking much longer than thought if would! It's an these times that it a important for me to focus all of my pont-up energy into training so that can return in the best possible form to help this team by to win our first

The photos of Amenda were taken at Penny Lane Development Trust a busy community contro and tourist destination at 70 Panny Lane in Everpool. Visitors are welcome to drop in and look around the fabulous Beatles-themed garden and outdoor area. Please visit www.pldt org uk

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Lincoln Ladies	7	0	3	4	5	10	3
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# Fixtures

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# The significance

Following relegation to the (etc) Spoored Division in season 1953/54. Alterpool is hopes of in guick return to that top light quadry evaporated. After Reshing locatin in 1958/59 the Rode meda a desappointing start to the new campager. A 42 defect at Justico Christia on 14 November was the final straw for manager and loyal club several that "favor who resegned."



The hunt for a successor took the Liverpool bows to Hubble Hubble Towns Bill Shanelly and this Soct took charge for the first time on 19 Docember 1959. His salery was 22,500 a year and he worked without a contract It was the start of an enthis changed bottleff history.

#### The season

Eighth place when Sharildy assumed control uverpool limited the season in third and ended the campaging strongly by taking nine points from a possible 10. Matt Busby a Manchaster United ended the Reds. FA Cup run at the fourth-round stage with a 3-1 whin at Anfold block by two first half goels from Bobby Charlton.

# Same league

Of the 24 teams that were in the Championahip during 2012/13. 10 were in the 22-olub Second Division in 1959/50 including Cerdiff City and Hall City who won automatic promotion to next season's Pramier League.

#### Shanks said.

It is my opinion that Liverpool have a crowd of followers which rank who the greatest in the game. They deserve success and I hope in my small way to be able to do something towards helping them to achieve it. I am not a lazy man. I file to get down to it end



set the example which I want following from the top of the club to bottom. I make few promess, but one of them is that everything I do it hope there will be patent common sense attached to it."

## The tactics

Shanley's first fearne continued along the lines of the 2-3-5 system that was the trend of the bries. The system that was a 3-3-4 shape the following season. Captain Florine Moran and Alan A'Court were ever-presents who impressed Shanlas during his early days at the obb. The IHAFF attaching perhanship of (Roper) Hurst and (Dave) Hiddeon also proved visit, producing 42 goals. A young lan Calliaghen wes also given his chance towers the end of the season.

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Mr Shankly Arrives At Antickly



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Defender Kolo Toure tells Simon Hughes how much he still wants to achieve in the game he loves more than ever

You arrive at Liverpool aged 32. In an ere where there is such a focus on youth, how important is it for a squad to have experience as well? For sure. Youth offers energy and enthusiasm but expenence can help a team through the difficult moments. Wou need to forget about had results and locus hard on the next came. But you must learn from the bad results tipo. You must not make the same mustake twice. If overvine thinks like that, eventually you will get it right as a team. The balance is very important Garries can be changed on instinct as well as thought. A player can't just buy expenence. You only get experience by what you do, what you ve been

through There are a lid of young players out there. To carry on playing at the highest level for 10, 12 or 15 years is not easy. Sleven Gertard knows about that, So it's important, we fix and holo the learn.

Jamie Corrector once said that when he was younger he acted on instinct, but a he got older he began to understand why he did what he did on a football photo... Of course that's what we call expension 1 s as simple as that When you get older you read, you see things coming You and could. As well, you can help other players by talling. Especially young players, they can learn. For me it is very important to help those young players. These seen already that we have some great trient and really good become as well - very focused boys. In training they give everything, am very happy sitious that and guite surprised because for a lot of young players it is not always. distribution of visits

How important is it to have players that know what it takes to win these as well?

When let month assemblished

When lifet moved to Asseral Hooked. ardend the dressarsproom. Tony Adama, Ray Periour Patrick Vielna Martin Keawn, Donnie Burglump and Sol (Campbell) were all sitting there They were all winners but they were related. This give a young player like this is lot of confidence. When you know you have these players, at the back of your mind you think that everything will be okay. When you have been through something you learn the way (Ja success). You learn that you must romain calm you must work hard and take each came as a different one. The yeld laum upy full gool year al nosage livery single game like a final. If you give 100 por cent you have a change.

"The season is very long but you must treat every single game like a cup final"

Privat haive been perfectionary influential or your early career... one is of to them. They bught me the ways of an English defender and stepol dhe way, an now. Primie useque is not early Coame from bony Coame from bony to the first team straightwey i vige very grateful for that but it has deed help. Hell plus and Wingley.

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curselves. It is two in Brazil. There are to many playins bocause there is no many playins bocause there is nothing else they can do. You go into a levels and maybe one family can played to the tay a ball. Than hide from 100 families after that ball. Anyone who kee a boll mode to shee o deserves which is the point in a ball? You ident to sheet. So when we were servery from school it was only football. I mainly go if the strong, (playing with historics).

# Oo you believe your

# has taken you further

To be a footballer especially from my country, you need to have a bit of everything. Most of all you need to love the game ready love the game. Then you have to work hard and be determined, even when there are selbacks. After that, you need to have some luck as well. That combination helps you make a career. It's not easy because there are a lot of good players Wherever you go all with the same dream. Sometimes they might be beter than you but they don't make it because they miss something. They reight mas luck, they might mas heving the right manager they lack focus or concentration. There are times when you think it won't happen, for sure Many times. But what carried me was from Inside I said that would tive 00 per cent every day. There would be no

excuses. Then at the ond I would sun what happens. If you give averything you can have no regrets.

#### Having not stayed as much as you night like over the last two esasons at Manchester City you must be itching to be a regular in the Liverpool team.

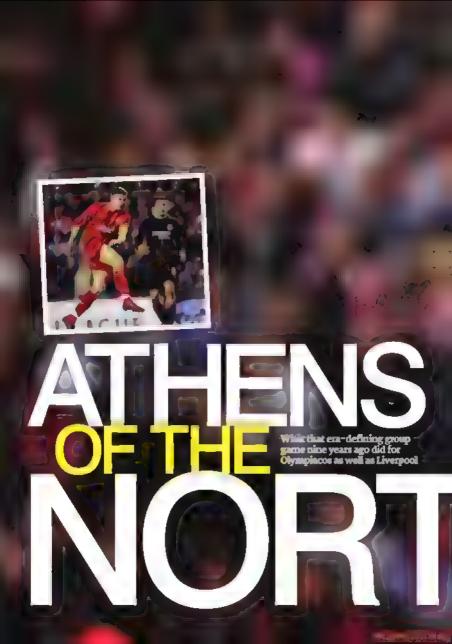
understand that thom is a group, a deptald, and workprome ware to play. But amiliot borning hiere to sit our. The linst two sessions have been very difficult for me. didn't bely much wardfolf to sley but shoes lough since, are part of the game. For me now commit here wand to prove to myself linst. Want to give 100 per part and want to be happy. Then, also want to place to football fival stall have the quality. At unempool time, can once the lam stall one of the best.

### Last season effer playing against Liverpool for City, you brother Yays said that it was the most difficult game he had experienced since arriving in England...

have played at Anfield many times. It is shively every lough. The funs play is huge role. Games riganst Assenal were always important to both cubis. We always knew that the key to winning.

# "I am not coming here to sit out - I want to play and give 100 per cent"

was trying to queter the prowd. If you do that then maybe you have a chance Tremember that game (with Oty in Augusti very well because t started on the right of riefence. I was marting Raheem (Sterling) who was playing for the first time. Well it was clear straightaway that he had lots of ability. But he was working really hard. too abacking and defending it was a difficult alternoun for the But for the team it was tough too. We might have lost. It showed the quality Everpool had even very early on with the new manager Now it has settled down more, the monager is doing a great job, the team is improving and it plays good football. So this is good





## what happened next

in the euphoric aftermeth of Luceptobic's 3-1 win over Offurpiecos in December 2004, Hada Bontez took a second is consider the impact of the Stiven-Genard strike that if just sent the Reds through to the last 46 of the Chempions Jeegue, and ubmately into the annatis of history. The goal was important for the team, the club, the supporters and for Steven more because he is the captain and he wants to wis with this club it was a very important goal for everyone."

Energool Olympiacos and Monaco had all entered the final Group A matchday with a chanco of progressing to the knockout stages.



Only Deportive, on two points, were already eleminated. Monaco travelled for Spain Innowing is win would put their hrough. At Artifield only a victory wite good enough for Liverpool, strything sees would have resulted in a post-Christmas place in the UEFA Cup. And the picture was complicated by the light that if the Greek side scored, line Reda would need to win by two goals to lesspring above them and go through.



Euro 2004 glay meant Greek kootsaliwas on a high when Olympuscos sesses it a literal in flasher. If all school Stokkds goal they d allocaty enjoyed a -0-wer zert Luveppool en the first meeting at the end of September and they'd go on to win the Greek Super League the following May. The Radis came vito the clash on the back of three games without defeat. A late Neil Mellor-supired win over Ansenat had been followed by a penally short-out viciory at Tottenham in the League Cha and a forward Association.

### ANTONIS NIKOPOLIDIS

Then S3 and an ever-present in goal for the Green habonal faint on the night he was beaten by Rozent Sinema Congole Mellor and Iraily General Sinema He distribute on the state of the distribute on the state of the

#### RIVALDO

Just months after almost joining Sent Allerdycin's Botton Winderme as a troagent, the gifted Erozkien midfaldor and former world player of the year momentary's decread the Kop in the lifet hall with his decayons from toomaking it 10 on the night. The 2002 World Cup winner had previously instand at Berstolonu, one of 15 clubs.



Physide buch in his homotoné Graell Inday halls appeared for in a caster that hee taken him to destinations as diverse ast 2/bekestan and Angolfs. Still playing for Sac Caetino in his homeland all the age of 41. He is also the charmon of Sac Paolo-based club Mog. Minn

### GIOVANNI

Not the Shazikan attacking midholder who appeared in the Premier Longua bor Manchoster City and Hull, but the pacy striker who was a minmiber of the Braus squared that composed at the 1998 World Cup Shale although his involvoment amounted to 46 martius against Soddard Gilled but inconsistent. Geoverni had speri small santos and Barcelona before armong in Greece. Some appetabular goals in a trophy-feddon spelf or sturded his stiff re-end by supported the staff and the significance of the support of the staff and the significance of the support of the staff and the significance of the support of the staff and the significance of the support of the staff and the significance of the support of the significance of the support of the support of the support of the significance of the support of th





#### GEORGIOS GEORGIADOS

A regular when hiswasate bars are picking their worst XI, the stitler had 10 outing for the Tymerders during 1998/99. Bought from Parastroaleos Beaussaums in Missessembili PACK, Four years ister he joined Olympiecos and possed up a winners medal at Euro 2004. More mountly technical director of PACK. The locit contract director of PACK. The locit was as obach in April when Glorgos Dones was stacked and led them to the Champions Lungue qualifiers.

## DUMAN BAJEVIC

After the defeat the coach taket the press. "Whiten you size watching a garne like that you do not believe you can loss in that way. But we brought the problems on ourselves. We did not create a chance from open play during the match tuverpools wenner was a very good goal scored by a quality playor who is one of the best secund.

Bosevic who'd been an international striker for the former Yugoslavia national team has a volable personality he's reportedly resigned twice during matches while in charge of AEK

Athors and Part Star Belorade

#### DESCRIPTION OF RESIDENCE

The club from the port distinct of Prinstus, (once is expansive only from Affects before a spreak in population saw the borders become burned) was founded in 1925 from working-diess roots. Lower-league side Sthnikos Pracus are the focal riviste four club, and the foundation of particularly Prinstrussions, really raise the temperature. Pracerus as the Certify of the Eleman Engenies if prings all activities in the caused to a standard.

Olympiacos car comindatally claim. Athenian superiority as isal season's league title was lines 40th (Pane have 20 and relegated ABC 11). They also won the cust least thanks to an earth-time win ower Astarias Tripoli. Although they marrisand their domestic dominance other the detect at Anfield finely haven it been instrume to Greece is frenchic rosis. The most lamiliar name on the present teams the most lamiliar name on the present teams the most lamiliar name on the present teams team.

## IN THE LFC XI

Chris Kirkland: had become the most expensive British goalkeeper in England when the Reds paid Ω8 million in 2001 but was unable to become a regular. Moved to Wigan the following year and joined Shelfield Wednesday last summer Dilmi Traore (below), subbed at halftime in this game for Sinama-Pongolia. he won a Champions League medal six months later Played for seven clubs in England and France before joining Seattle Sounders in February Harry Kewell: lock-started Liverpool's rewell by beating defender Anastasios. Pantos and teeing up Sinama-Pongoša for the equaliser just after the break. Recently returned to Australia to rocks a prevoilor hash smuodisM nior spell in Catal with Al-Gharafa Transaction Transaction eviendab ant in gap a riguoria Inaw will where he'd been standing but he did play a part in Liverpool's second gost Linked up with Dani Pacheco at Spanish blub Huesca wat eesson. but the team were releasted. Milan Barde had a homadic career efter leaving Liverpool in August 2005 playing for Allion Villa, Lyon. Porhimbuth and Galalasaray before returning to his first club Bank Ostrava Last month to signed a one-year deal with Turkish club Antalyaspor Florent Sinama-Pongolla: sub who scored within minutes of his introduction. New 28, he's playing in the Russian Promer League with FC Rostov Was back at Anheld to watch the Morsoyarde derby in May Nell Mellon our testured columnst. made it 2.1 with 10 minutes left pouncing after Nikopolidis could only pany a header from Nunez. He then cleverly teed up Gerrard's beauty Josemi: Spanish detender who had



a bnef strn at Anfield Spent last

# **DEC 2005**

# IN THE NEWS

The Millan Viaduct, designed by littlish architect Norman Foster and measuring a heart-thumping Booth from road deck to the ground below, opened to traffic in southern France



# IN THE CHARTS

Girls Aloud topped the unglestable with PH Stand By You. On were at the summit of the album lintings with How To Dismantle An Atomic Bomb.



#### AT THE MOVIES

Bor office bits at the time notated The brevelibles and Bridget know: The Edge of Reason.



## ON THE PITCH

Last Garcia was among the goals as the Reds ended 2004 with a 5-to league win over West Brom at a wintry Hawthores













The bit at the back for Liverpool's legions of fans at home and all over the world...



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# Themonth



# BACK HOME

The Reds kick off the new campaign at 12:45pm on Saturday 17 August a home to a Stitle City side under new manager Mark Hughes Lueropool falsat permignday success came back in session 2008/08 when they won 1-0 at Sundetland with a fate goal from Formando Tomes. The last first day inclony at Amfield was in August 2001 when his goals from Michael Owen secured a 2-1 win over Wast Him Unded.

A week later on Sabirday 24 August, the Reds travel to Villa Park. After flining with the drop test season. Villans boss Pauli Lambert has recruited more bilented young players as he seeks to build a team capable of challenging for the top.

# THE GOOD BOOK

the veight in long interview on rage on and the highbook wanch for Red on Dead is on Wednesday in August at the Epistem Pleatine on Liverpool's Hannover Street. Writing on the Wall in partnership with Fabre welcomes author valvid Pleace for an evening lasted by Bran Reade with a live. Ell set by Peter Liceton Tickets are installed from ORGA 1888 and a title www.wepsetertheamfellempool could.





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# BIRTHDAYS

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# THE MONTH IUST GONE

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The Jub and Carisberg celebrated their partnership of 21 years by ennouncing a three year extension to the beer wand's long form sponsoration Already the longest serving partnership of any Barelays Preimor Langue club if a now bean extended to run until the end of 2016/16 a total of 24 styrsorts

Also extending their partnership with

the club (by two years) was Standard Charteroo Brank The brank signed up ats LFC is main sponsor in July 2010. appearing on the front of the term a shwits for the last three sensores. During this time the partnership was brought fairs increas the world closer to the club through vanous campaigns including the recent 2013 pre-season tour





# THE KILLER OUESTION

Who was the last LFC player to score a hattrick against our opening day opponents Stoke City – in a Worthington Cup landslide in November 2000?

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# LFC TV - IT'S BOSS

LFC World is the club's new official weekly TV magazine show a colourful fast-paced half-hour that will appeal to Reds lans everywhere The emphasis is on the first learn with exclusive leatures from Metwood while the Academy and Ladies will also be showcased

Away from the present the incredible traditions and history of LFC are calebrated in a sones of fasonating items including The Antield Alphabet. LFC World also goes behind the scenes to get to know the characters - from kit men to chels to tea radies who make the club tick as well as investigating the community work of the Liverpool



### FC Foundation. Fan culture leatures prominently giver the course of the 40-episode series and supporters will be encouraged to interact. with the show via Twitter using the hashtag #LFCWORLD A new episode of LFC World will be shown every Wednesday on LFC TV and it's also available on demand to LFC Ty Online subscribers and on iTunes

Meanwhite Anfield 380" is a weekly studio show that runs the rule over all the club's learns from Under-18s to the first team via Liverpool Ladies and the Under-21s With LFC TV's mutchday coverage also returning the 2013/14 season promises to be a great one for viewers.



For just £2.99 a month LFC TV Online will allow you to watch LFC TV live and give you on-demand access to all the goals, highlights, live reserve dames, news and video interviews. For more visit www.liverpoolfc.com/video Delaved coverage of every game will also be available via LFC TV, which is free to view on

Sky channel 429 or Virgin channel 544

### FIXTURES 13/14

### AUGUST

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### SEPTEMBER.

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### OCTOBER

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# AWAY DAYS

Author Dave Kirby salutes a historic West Midlands ground in our new series of fan guides

he first time I vested Villa Park' was in 1974 We bravefied by thamb Intchibiting down in the day and not retaining and Sam. On the way home we got a lift off some adds from Huydon leght of use in the back of a Cottine.

It was the semi-final of the FA Cup and was 16 years old. Liverpool had drawn against Locester City at Old Trafford on the Saturday and the replay was the following Wednesday at Villa Park Because all of the specials were

Villa Profess. v16

### Villa Park



booked up, we had to find our own way to Barningham, an afternative route. If kidn a count it, Brian I retail put us 1-0 up they squaled of, then Roogan and Toshauck should kidnershed it all from the Witton End Leccusion had proviously blanch a looping side to have and B4 Strankly was wary of them it grave us the interpretation of or or and witten find upgraves supportions now don't realisely just how presiding our and FA Curp hire it approximately before the find upgraves supportions now don't realisely just show presiding our and FA Curp hire it approximately used to be for Curp hire and uppoprience used to be for Champions. applied hire was the

holy grait of English football

So my first impringry was a hoppy one at vita Park Ever since then it s been one of those grounds where go thore kroling very confident. It's undoubtedly my taxounte away day. There havon't been 100 many pines when we've come away from there disappointed We went back to villa in 1980 for B serre final second replay against Arsenal Kenny scored an equaliser in the last minute. Although we lost the third replay in Coventry a couple of nights later you always remember a last-minute equaliser don't you? It was one of those nights when rather then just jumping up and down when the equaliser goes in you're throwing kos or strangers.

A year rater we were there again for the League Cup final replay against



### "It's a classic English football ground – modernised but still traditional"

Wast Ham. They look the load but we adon look confrol with goals from Keriny and Alan Harteon It was the first bine we won the Loaque Cup hass, also have in 1485 Alba and Loaque Cup hass, also have in 1485 Alba and Loaque Cup hass, also have in 1485 Alba and Loaque Cup hass, also have in 1485 Alba and have professed another brilliant moment.

Che of the best league games against Villa was on 20 January 1984 largers Villa was on 20 January 1984 Larespool were the best steps in the country and TV wainted to show us the on a Fickey night. So we traveled glown in treating whiter conditions. The cold was unbastable Dennie. Monther with was a Scouser and or the same Villaby fash as Terry McCormol. Opened the scoring for Villas. But soon playing in our yallow of we to control un Rush scorad a hart-nock inglir floot, tall loot, header the perfect three.

Aside from the Scouse players Mortimer. Peter Withe and John Gidman. Villa have had a couple of Scouse managers over the years. Pich Saunders was the first. From Attorison was the second.





### Villa Park



Alfunson hed previously managed Manchester United Once he'd done that, there was no coming back for him the back for him.

in the eyes of Liverpool supporters My fondest memory playing Aston Villa was in the FA Cup in 1988 Villa were flying high small room water Barnes had signed for Liverpool the Dreyous 9 the season well. The villa manager Graham Taylor admitted that he had but in the press he also insisted that Barnes needed to work on his right. loot. Just after half-time and with the score 0-0. Ray Houghton runs down the right wing and crosses for Bernes at the back post. It was an impossible back like a swan and plants it in the bottom comer. We had seven or eight thousand right behind the goal that day Everyone went wild. Afterwards in his analysis Barnes said that he knew he couldn't use his right loot so he decided to use his head instead. It was a furniy redress. We won the game 2-0. but I'll always remember if for that encredible doal by Sames

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And own though away supportion are now positioned down the side retired than behind the goal, if retents than behind the goal, if retents it almosphere. Years ago 4 used to be a sarry place to go. But the vice has migliowed, lists as I has done in many hostall grounds it the list 30 years. You can have a direit with villa supporting those drys and it is good conversablen. It is in popular silven and a supporting the proposition of the popular will year and the supporting the suppor

Chubwee there's a bit of potential at Villa. I know they won the European Cup in the serly 1980s but there have been a lid of lean periods since. When you see the alco of Villa Park and here the roar of the Hohe End, you realist part of you got a decent able on the patch it could become a really tough place to go once again.

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"Villa are the biggest Midlands club in my eyes"



St. Andraws is small in comparison. The Hawthorns of Wass Brown is a bit too modern and Molineus (Woolves) earlictose enough to the pitch. Use Antheld, when Villa Park is packed out if has an atmosphere that new grounds just can't generate. I know that if it didn't heve my car these days. "If probably hitchinke there again."

Villa host Eiverpool at 5 30pm on Saturday 24 August (Sky Sports)



# To this day at game there's a

The roots of Liverpool FC's official (an club in Poland go back a good three decades

verpool supporters againv nishas a la will remember which OVERSOES SUDDOMERS. made their wesence left exister the UFC matchday programmes of the 1980s. Alonoside rabid Rads from ireland. Scandinavia and interestingly Malta, it was the Poles who wrote in most regularly proclaiming their love for LFC and steeking JK-mused pen pals in the process will of course in the difficult days before the fall of the Berim

Wall, the expansion of the European Union and the advent of quick and affordable as travel across the Continent, Now Manusz Przeplorka and Barbara Kwak from the Official LFC Supporters Club Polano iali us when, how and why 4 all began.

Can you trace the fan club's growth back to Liverpool's European matches against Stask Wroclaw (1975), Widzew Lodz (1983) and Lech Poxner (1984)?
Without a doubt that was one of the

biopost factors. When we talk with older lans from Wrockey or Lodg they all say they were very in ipressed by Liverpool's players and supporters

In 1983 when Widzew knocked LFC out of the European Cup the team's goalkeeper Jozef Mlynarczyk said In all his interviewe that playing at Arthold was a proat expenence and the standing evaluer from averpool supporters after the game was something he would never larget. To this day at every Widzew match there's a red-and white You'll Never Wall Along banner

After the mytches with Stask, Widney and Lech Poynar the Rads gained lots of supporters in every region of Poland One of the cries with the most loyal tans was Kedperzyn-Kozle (in the country's routhwest, where the Irst Polish LFC Supportors Club was lorned in the sarly 980s. They is no longer active but have legendary status arright Liverpool tans in Poland They



ONE of our etuanchest fans from historic Chris Kwiathowshi writes from Warsaw (e ask f he con renew and three datagan, on he explains out seven vents ago I made munipen-pais and even met a lew of them in Lody and Posman, but then I had ge into the Army for one sears military service and, unbetanately,

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'Now I feel as if I belong'.

says Wortek

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"Young fans can't really imagine how dificult it was to follow LFC in Poland in the 1980s"

wrote letters to the club which were prefet in the matchday programme started correspondence with local Diverpool supporters, and some of them managed to go to Arthold to wealth the Retol play. There was also a party from unversion which visited Pleaseucase unestablished in 1986 a matchday programme in 1986.

Sometimes we meet up with Weighst Komanski, ning of the foundation of the fan club white watching Everpool matches in the pip. Another is Maniaz Geniza whose great collection of Julippool risms was featured in the programme. His dinam also came true, but only in 2005 when he was as Anold for the first time.

guess younger lans couldn't imagine how difficult it was here in Potand to support Everopol in the 1980s and early 90s. There were no English matches on Polish TV no internet only a liew lines in the Monday newspapers

### When was the Polish LFC supporters club founded?

The founders got to know each other thanks to a forum on a waterlie decladed to JPC fars in Poland Since 2004 there has been in tradition to organize annual meetings which fest about four days and virte place in Poland. One year if is in the north of the country, the next in the south. This has fed to incoher tradition of its colotal must be tradenor in a colotal fruider butween the south. This has fed to incoher tradenor of its colotal fruider butween tradenor of its colotal fruider butween the south. The has fed to incoher tradenor of its colotal fruider butween the south of the so



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the TV to comode with our meeting After 2005 and the Champions

Ladgue success there was more interest form new fairs and we started to think about fermatising the group. We registered our association in 2007, which is not severe granted official status. At the moment we have 150 mambers. The people phroat plaunous bothers members summanus meeting in fairs August each lyter ducmembers also organises smaller get together in different offices to watch LPC metablishes bothers.

### Personally, when and why did you become a fan?

Each member has his or her own story. Sometimes it's just one moment or event, other times it's a longer process. We have members of different ages and expenences. Some of them have been uverpool. lans since the 1970s and 80s but we think the triggest group became supporters from around season 2000/01 when unerpool got back to winning ways with Michael Owen's poals and obviously Jerzy Dudek s arrival at the club the season after The other significant moment is 2005 The fact thirl Dudek one of our own countrymen, had a big impact upon that wonderful win in lateribus made us even more proud and happy

### Do you get to Anfield often for matches?

These days it s really easy to travel to Liverpool just for the game and get back to Poland even on the same day Back in the 1980s and early 90s you had to have a visa to go to England and of course there were no low-cost eurlines flying from different Polisti. poles directly to Liverpool. But even then some of our members followed Liverpool FC not only to Anfield but elso throughout Europe just to have the opportunity to feel the magic of European nights. Now we go to Anfield. a few times a season, sometimes just a handful of us and other times in bigger groups to watch the Reds in action

You can visit the OLSC Poland online at fanklubilic.pl.

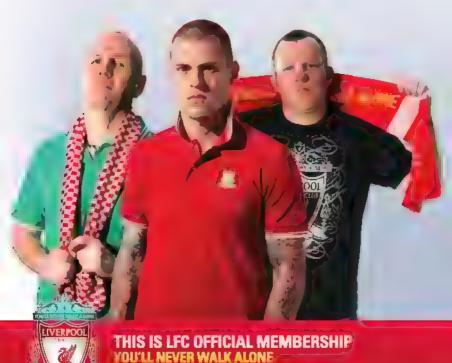
"Jerzy's part in the 2005 Champions League final made us even more proud to be Liverpool FC fans"





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### **AUSSIE RULES**

The Reds Down Under - now that's what you call a bonzer welcome

rom the premier of Victorial statis to the rank and file fairs, of Foderation Square the only of Melbourns gave the players and officials of LFC a velocine they'll never torget on the clud's 2013 lour its first-trivial to wat Austratia.

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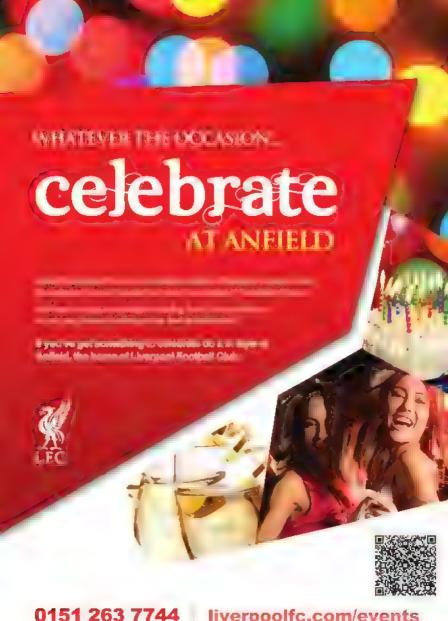
"This is what coming on tour is all about for Liverpool FC" When I was growing up and watching the tight Liverpool were in y favourite team. Craig Johnston from Australia played for them and air Rush was my favourite player.

Rode Julian/Ses Marin Shirtel and Sebashan Coates were overwhelmed by the reception of Fodorston Squara where they signed autographs, and vancus body parts, while a populy store sold LFC goodes Elsewhere club ambressador Robbe Fowler visited the Beigger Milisten Foundation that helps disadvantaged Australian youngsies play sport, and the playees

Andre Wisdom, lago Aspas, Luis Alberto, Simon Mignolet and Jay Spearing attended a special botbol clinic organised by the Jivingbol FC Poundation and the city of Welboume for young luds

Forbes Duff, event organiser from the Foundation said. To see the smalles on the faces of the kids was brilliant. This is what convergion four is all about for unempool FC. engaging with kids all over the world and giving something back to our fans.





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### A NIGHT FOR-

A special event was necessly held in the Champions Suite at Anfield to celebrate the fantastic achievements of children and adults from Liverpool FC Foundation's disability football programme. Ability Courts, the players were joined by parents and craches and medias were handed out to all participants with a select few excelving player of the season awards.

Established in 2004, Ability Counts provides young people and adults with additional needs the opportunity to play football at a competitive level. Teams compete at a regional level and some adult purvers will be competing at international level in the European Disabled Cup for the fifth year running in Switzerland this summer Several Ability Counts stars have started coaching for the programme and others have reached an eure level of disability football by being relected to compete for England.

More than side children and adults accessed the evening, including Stephen Hunt who has spira billide. "Weeting the red shift for LEF & Ability Counts and playing coresposition enait has its been fantassic and hosped me and many other players with disabilities realise our dreams," he says. The Fundation's disability programme is one of its disability programme.

werpool FC has successfully renewed its prestigeous. Community/Merk, the UK's national standard for feadership and excellence in the community. The olds was first awarded the honour in 2009 and continues to be recognised for the positive impact. It has on state-holder in Jurepool and



overseas through its programmes The CommunityMark which is endorsed by HRH The Prince of Wales, was presented to the club at a gala dinner in London by Prime Minister David Cameron and Business in the Community chief executive Slephen Howard "Loongrabulate Liverpool FC for continuing to be part of this growing network," said Mr Howard "Business has a vital role to help create prosperous communities and CommunityMark holders are at the heart of this. We hope Liverpool's example will insome more businesses to put responsible behaviour at the heart of how they do business."

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### **HOULDING'S** OURT The house that stands

as a reminder to LFC's founding father

I you're attending the games against Olympiacos and Stoke City this month, the chances are you may walk past a building that holds a special significance to Liverpool FC. Stand at the Shankly Gates and look back down Anfield Road, southeest past the Fans Park and you'll just make out Stanley Physics - Parl State Law Law Co. Farter at 18

This grand residence built in 1876 was where Liverpool's lounding father John Houlding originally set up home He'd progressed from worlding as a drayman at Clarkson's Brewery in Soho Street in the city's Islangton. district, to awning his own browery in Everton's Tyriemouth Street.

'Houlding's Sparking Alex were the tapple of choice in late Victorian Liverpool, and Joing profits from the brewery he set up home at Stanley House in leafy Antield with his wife Jane and children Alice and William With a garden and sleepled tower overlooking (the then six-year-old) Stanley Park, it gave him the perfect base from which to lusep an eye on the city's footballing affairs. It lay equidistant between the area of the park where Everton a forerunner St. Domingo's played and the site where the Anfield ground took root in 1884.

Externally the privately-owned building is well preserved and a regular reminder of the man who played such a significant part in the club's history



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are Hideson may have stood cmly five feet 0 miches stall and typed the scales of u.g.d. under 12 stones, but he was a gent of a man. The forward was best known for his scoring exploits with Eventon but his professionalism and dedication were never better highlighted than when he

was at the centre of a periodical storm. After teaving the Sliues for the first time in 1965, Hickson' had a short spell under Bill Shanshiy at Huddersfield, playing alongside a preposous taken named Denis Law But the "Bloom named Denis Law But the "Bloom named between all most caused a red when it was announced he id be followed them a second brein in 1969.

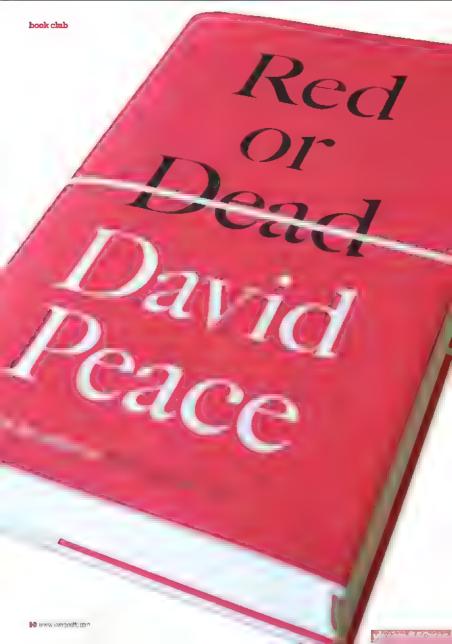
for userpool. The deal sparked fury among Sevinion and Liverpool fame alike. Many fined the streets of Amfeld so protest befine his Liverpool debut against Aston Vills on 7 November Dave took it all in his stride and swiftly appeased one half of the city by scoring both goals as Liverpool deletated the relagous leaders 2: 1 He of go on to score 37 goals in 60 outings for LFC to take his career tably past 200 goals in all comparisons.

Ellownore Port the was a gentlemen. off the prich and consistently modest CHARLES THE CONTROL OF THE CONTROL O had the privilege of sitting next himat an awards evening in St George's Hall in 2009 and he was easy company playing down the stream of complements that came his way from passers-by. Ed limit interviewed here at Goodson Park in 2006 when he was working as a four guide at Everton He recalled: The reason lot Everton was the result of a meunderstanding as didn't really want to go, but was delighted to join Liverpool. It meant I joining another fine club with a great crowd Talso socred twee on my debut which helped!

We fineled third in both my seesons at Antield, today that d probebly be enough to get promoted But Shankly, who I knew from my timp at Houdersheld, led the stem to promotion in 1951-82 and they never tooked back. Everlion was my club but I really enjoyed my time at Unerpool.

## HICKSON

A personal appreciation of a Merseyside goalscoring great by William Hughes



### "I HOPE IT'S TRUE TO THE SPIRIT OF THE MAN"

David Peace, author of the new Bill Shankly book Red or Dead, talks to Simon Hughes

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For the post-Shanks generation it segments reliable to introduce fowerds the demengence of LFC, as an irrebitution is revisited in a few analytic quotes or humorous anecdotes. There should be more time to appreciate the personal price of immorphiship.

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Peace had published a book bullote about a snapphin in sporting lasting of course. On 45 JUDB inflango The Damined United the sporting lasting Damined United bissel on Brian Cought is Briand 44 days in change of Lated's United was described by The Times as probably the destinated by The rentition about topic and within these years it was is this starring histories.

Peace soon realised thought that it was impossible to flustrate the impact of Shankly's deceaning what test gone before the fight, the defeat agony recovery glory their their prevence that followed.

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forgast meet. It should me that games and players come and go out the challenge remains to stay about says broauthor. Finathall goes on and on it never stops.

Peace speni the whole of 2012 Whole Red or Dead at his home in Tokyo after spenuint; several weeks in 201 on Merseyside researching. He wanted the book to feel ake a hyres expenence. That is certainly achieved. Writish sambally to The Derivined United where the reader becomes Clough 5 amilious inner monologue. you feel the pressure when Shankly feets the pressure. You led the release when uverpool score the goal that wins a trophy. Then it starts all over again pre-session training, the next year N's draming but sustaining as well. Shankly comes to life. There are the moments when the reader is unriched by the energy of Artfield.

The adversaline of the match. Then there are the moments back nome on Beliefield Drive, stence and fonctioness, the come-down and introspection. Shankly once said that if he was saruhbing floors. "I'd want my floor to be cleaned that nyturns." So here.



hat fallous to this richhem You quickly stand in the Shillander with a Brille Pad. Such is the clavelopment of Shankly's chanceler on the single occasion hat mission a medion of Shothert or inhed with flu you begin to feel elightly quasary "It's any portrait or interpretation of what thirth happened," explained Paece Even though it's fection really hope if it true to the sont of the man."

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Posce grew up in Wakefeld during the miners strike before moving to Istanbul then Japan to teach English "We were a Labour household and solid supporters of the miners. When come to write about that period on the Red Riding Quertell - clidn't realise how much the people on strike had sacrificed. White writing about Shankly If hit hard how much people escrifoed to make "weroopi prest. Shankly devoted his life to the club, it is a said reflection of the times that people now are too comfortable, misself included don't think we're prepared to sacrifice purselves for the greater good

Shankly lived through two world wars the Russen and Chiness revolutions, the Greet Depression, the General Strike and the birth of the Welfare State There are lew people conting from a position more difficult than his to achieve what the achieved."

The story begins when JPC chairman TV Williams brusks to Huckerskield to ofter Shanley line manager is lob. As a Huckersheld Town IRa Peace however was not brought up on the lopend of Shanley "Iwarew who he was as Miko Yanwood did Impressions," yet he was never in my compositiones. Fuddersheld now make a big deal of him once managing the club. But my deal and his dad were both regulars useds Read during the lime of Shanley. and they maint that he didn't rightly make a big impression in the short time he was there There was a feeing that with players tike Denis Law and Play Wilsor. There was potential but when Shankly left there was no great sense of mourring.

It look brine for Sharibly to convince the Anfield crowd too that uverpool were on the Jipil path, ander his guidance. There was always a tight to work Before he amwed at Jiveppool the manager and not post the team that fell with a group of selections. If was samply the manager is roth to train. Sharibly fought to change that, Footbell has always had its complications. Although the 1960s and 60s have an image of purity they weren't without their controverses in a lootbell sense - sauses thet loodny's faine would frow upon.

"It wasn't until he managod to recruit an St. John and Ron Yastis his things standed to turn. In modern football Sharefely would vie been fuchy in keep his job. Liverpool later went seven years without wenning anything. Again, poolyte farget hakes time to create a dynasty. It would take a strong boardroom to keep faith.

Red or Dead's split into two parts The first half focuses on the period between 1959 and 1974 when Shankly transformed Everpour from a Second Division side that had hever won the FA Cup into one that 15 seasons were had won three League titles, two FA Cups and the UEFA Cup. The second half deals with Shankly's retroment and his doubt in 1961. The written about the minors, strike the Yorkshiru Reportand Tokyo after the war when a sanal killer was on the books. Says Puace "Those are all told in difficult dark times it realised that I wanted to Write something for a change which had a really positive namedyo. People will always have thou opinions for good or bad. But I hope people are hastened by this one Published by Faber and Faber Ltd.

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myself meantime.

One day I might write about it all. If I do, it will be worth reading.

Very sincerely,

Manager.





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